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19 September 1975

Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF
Deputy Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Brent:

I am forwarding for your review my response to a request from Senator Jackson to sanitize my testimony on compliance with the SALT ONE agreements given before the Subcommittee on Arms Control on 11 February 1975.

I have reviewed the testimony for the primary purpose of protecting intelligence sources and methods. To accomplish this purpose I recommend that the additional deletions (Senator Jackson's staff supplied the original deletions with which I concur), bracketed in red in the attached text, be made. In addition, I have bracketed in blue testimony that appears to be related to the agreement with the Soviets to respect the confidentiality of SALT negotiations, including issues raised in the SCC, and testimony that could undercut US positions in SALT and the SCC.

I consider the review to protect sources and methods a straightforward intelligence function. I have undertaken the review for the other reasons given above to assist in meeting Senator Jackson's request for an answer by 21 September 1975.

If you agree with my recommended deletions, please forward the testimony under my cover memorandum to Senator Jackson. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have concerning this matter.

Sincerely,


W. E. Colby
Director

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Attachments:

1. Letter to Senator Jackson
2. DCI/DDS&T Testimony with Senator Jackson's request
3. Rationale for additional deletions



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The Honorable William E. Colby
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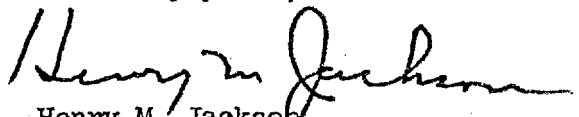
Dear Mr. Colby:

On Tuesday, February 11, 1975, I chaired a hearing of the Subcommittee on Arms Control of the Senate Armed Services Committee at which you testified on Soviet compliance with the SALT I agreements.

We intend to issue a sanitized version of that hearing. I have reviewed the attached transcript which is presently classified "Top Secret," and I have marked for deletion those statements that convey information whose disclosure might jeopardize our national security. If you feel that there is further information whose disclosure would jeopardize the national security of the United States, please have that material bracketed and, in each instance, supply the Subcommittee with a justification.

I should be most grateful if you could complete your agency review by September 21.

Sincerely yours,



Henry M. Jackson
Chairman, Subcommittee on
Arms Control

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